

NN/LM Southeastern/Atlantic Region

Region 2

Quarterly Report

February 1, 2008 – April 30, 2008

University of Maryland, Baltimore

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Executive summary

Personnel:

The SE/A staff continue to be involved professionally. Recent appointments to Medical Library Association committees include:

- Dale to the MLANET Editorial Board
- Janice to the Leiter Lecture Committee
- Mandy to the Lucretia W. McClure Excellence in Education Award Jury
- Toni to the Estelle Brodman Award for Academic Medical Librarian of the Year Award Jury
- Terri to the Scholarship Committee

Advocacy:

The SE/A staff continue to visit Network members in support of outreach projects and library activities. This quarter site visits were made to 9 Network members in West Virginia, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Florida. In addition we hosted a member of the Howard University Stokes Library at our office, attended the state health science library association meetings in Georgia and the District of Columbia, attended the state planning team meeting in Tennessee, and participated in several teleconferences with the planning team in Florida.

Terri and Janice have been in discussion with the Florida Consumer Health Information Network (Florida planning award) about a statewide plan to train public librarians in partnership with the six Florida library networks. We will concentrate on providing the courses that will allow interested individuals to obtain the MLA consumer health specialization.

Emergency Preparedness

Emergency preparedness planning continued this quarter. Janice participated on NN/LM emergency preparedness collaboration calls throughout the quarter. A survey on preparedness and planning was planned and sent to over 200 SE/A members. On March 7, 2008, Beth presented *Promoting Readiness: Readiness to Respond Follows Planning & Practice* at the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association meeting.

Dan Wilson was busy this month as well. As part of the subcontract to develop a national emergency preparedness plan for the Network, Dan and Susan Yowell will visit each RML office to provide training and a tabletop exercise. Dan and Susan visited the SE/A office on March 15, 2008 to meet with the SE/A staff as well as, Angela Ruffin and Barbara Nicholson from NLM, and Teresa Knott, Maryland representation to the SE/A Emergency Preparedness Regional Advisory Committee. A tabletop exercise was included.

Disaster buddy plans continued this quarter as well. On April 3, 2008 MJ and Janice met via teleconference with Sherrilynne Fuller and Cathy Burroughs of Region 6 to discuss disaster "buddy" responsibilities. It was determined that no MOU was needed for our back-up responsibilities. Janice and Cathy will complete procedures after June.

The SE/A Emergency Preparedness RAC was populated with a Network member from each state except the US Virgin Island. A meeting is planned for May in St. Petersburg, FL. On April 5, 2007 Dan Wilson, chair of the Committee presented on the national and regional plan to the Consortium of Biomedical Libraries in the South meeting in Johnson City, TN. Janice also attended and provided information about SE/A plans.

Communication Enhancements

To enhance communications several changes were made to *SEA Currents* and the SE/A website this quarter. Dale opened comments on *SEA Currents*. Registration is no longer required for commentary. The Akismet anti-spam plugin was installed to manage comment spam. Dale also installed an email notification plugin on *SEA Currents*. This plugin, written by Aron Beals, allows users to be notified when a

new article has been published on *SEA Currents*. He added an iPhone format plugin to *SEA Currents*, making the newsletter easy to read on some mobile platforms.

Colette began work on reformatting the state pages. The state pages on our site have become too “link” heavy. The new pages will be streamlined to only include specific state resources. Users will now be directed from the state pages to other non-state specific health resources pages when appropriate. This project will be completed by the end of May 2008.

Colette added a live help function to the website. As of April 1, 2008, network members will be able to receive live help via the Meebo IM system. Terri and Colette will be monitoring the Meebo account and responding to IM's.

Network infrastructure

TABLE 1. Quarterly infrastructure data

	Current quarter	Previous quarter*
Network members – full	601	605
Network members – affiliate	543	549
Libraries providing services to unaffiliated health professionals	274 (45.5%)	274 (45%)
Libraries providing services to public users	299 (49.5%)	298 (49%)
Average fill rate for resource libraries	81%	82%

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) activities

March 3, 2008 Beth discussed materials to be forwarded by Karen L. Roth, MBA, MLS, AHIP to the RAC Access Committee. The mailing covered topics for forthcoming FAQs from the group and invited volunteers for each topic area.

The new Emergency Preparedness Regional Advisory Committee has one or more members from each state and territory except for the U.S. Virgin Islands. This newly constituted committee will meet in May in St. Petersburg, FL.

Needs assessment and evaluation activities/data

The Outreach and Evaluation Resource Center sent a questionnaire to over 200 SE/A members to discern the number of libraries that have developed plans and procedures for emergency preparedness and disaster recovery. The questionnaire was sent to members in each region; Dale coordinated the effort for our region.

February 7, 2008 Dale taught *Measuring Your Impact* at NEFLIN in Orange Park, FL.

Outreach

TABLE 2. All newly funded awards and projects

Start/ end dates	Title of award/ project	PI institution	PI last name	Fundin g amount	Project type*
2/15/08- 4/30/08	Knowledge Management program at 2008 Special Libraries Association meeting, DC	District of Columbia Association of Health Sciences Librarians	Linton	\$500	Training
3/21/08- 5/31/08	Present on reliable cancer resources at the Maryland Library Association annual meeting, May 2008, Ocean City, MD	Johns Hopkins Bayview	Gorman	\$500	Training
2/13/08- 2/29/08	Exhibit at the Sister to Sister Heart Health Fair, February 26, 2008, Baltimore, MD	University of Maryland	Solomon	\$871	Exhibit

3/10/08— 5/31/08	2008 Medical Association of the State of Alabama and the Alabama Committee of Public Health and the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners meeting, May 22, 2008, San Destin, FL	University of South Alabama	Robertson	\$1,991	Exhibit
3/21/08- 5/31/08	Exhibit at the 2008 American Indian Chamber of Commerce of South Carolina, 2nd Annual Native American Inaugural Business Expo, May 27-28, Columbia, SC	Medical University of South Carolina	May	\$1,583	Exhibit
4/21/08 8/30/08	Exhibit at the 2008 Tennessee Public Health Association meeting, August 27-29, 2008, Franklin, TN	East Tennessee State University	Wallace	\$1,565	Exhibit
4/21/08- 11/30/08	2008 Tennessee Rural Health Association meeting, November 19-20, 2008, Pigeon Forge, TN	East Tennessee State University	Wallace	\$1,473	Exhibit
4/21/08- 7/31/08	Exhibit at the 2008 School Health Institute and Health Success Conference, July 15, 2008, Farmville, VA	Eastern Virginia Medical School	Smith	\$1,229	Exhibit
2/08/08- 1/31/09	Establishing the Consortium of African American Public Health Programs Libraries	Morehouse School of Medicine	Henderson	\$4,995	Express award
3/31/08- 10/31/08	Host a program on open access, NIH public access policy law and connecting the scientific information from previous works with new and important discoveries, Fall 2008, Chapel Hill, NC	University of North Carolina	Lackey	\$5,000	Information technology/policy awareness conference
2/1/08- 1/31/09	Healthy Spirit and Beyond Project	St. James Missionary Baptist Church		\$6,000	Express Outreach Project Award
4/1/08- 7/31/09	Hands on Health-SC Hispanic Outreach	Medical University of South Carolina	May	\$39,850	Outreach Project

Update of ongoing major projects (funded at ≥ \$15,000)

Anson Community Hospital – Linking Community Care and Health Education

Final report: This outreach project connected community members, parish nurses, and health advocates to pertinent healthcare information. Computers, with internet accessibility, were placed in three of Anson County's community centers and in seven select churches throughout the county. A well-designed webpage was created and provided individuals with health education, information on services and resources available, times of educational healthcare meetings, and additional links to significant healthcare information and services. Web pages are routinely revised. Copies of resource information and web sites were distributed to the sites for easy access. Community health educator (CHE) continues to visit the community centers weekly to teach people to look up health information on the web sites that include MedlinePlus.gov, ClinicalTrials.gov, PubMed and others. CHE continually develops programs, health information, and resources for use in teaching the community and providing information for the health advocates. Training sessions for use of web sites on the computers with health advocates were carried out during this last year. Parish Nurses and health advocates have been linked to current health information and health educational modules. These modules were used in developing health education classes for community members. Health information obtained through access to computers and the internet has helped people in Anson County make better, more informed decisions about their health and well being.

Baptist Hospital Health Touch: Information at your Fingertips

Summary of activity: The primary focus of the project this quarter was to increase people's awareness of the web site that mirrors the kiosk's content. Additional posters were created and placed in the hallways on clinical floors and in the elevators. The web site was introduced to staff at the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Library. Librarians there created a link to it on their consumer health resources page. Janice Kelly and Terri Ottosen visited the clinic and kiosk and met with administrators at the hospital. The web site was advertised in the hospital newsletter twice.

Western Maryland AHEC – West Virginia Information Outreach II

Final report: the project coordinator presented eight training sessions to a total of 128 participants from over 20 counties throughout West Virginia. Successful partnerships were formed with Health Sciences and Technology Academy of West Virginia University, Parish Nurse Program of the West Virginia School of Nursing, West Virginia Library Commission, Northern West Virginia Rural Health Education Center, Northern West Virginia Rural Health Education Partnerships, West Virginia University Health Career Opportunity Program, West Virginia public schools, and Exploring Careers in Health Occupations.

University of Maryland – College of Information Studies – Promoting Health and Literacy among Older Adults: Computer Training in Public Libraries

Summary of Activity: During the third quarter, training classes continued at the Hyattsville branch library of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS). Starting from mid-February, a second training site at the New Carrollton branch library of the PGCMLS was started. During this quarter, more than 50 older adults have been trained. Communication and partnerships were developed and strengthened.

George Washington University – Connecting for Health Literacy

Summary of activity: During this quarter, HIPS visited its regular outreach sites at the Max Robinson Center, on board the Transformer East of the River, SOME, and the Washington Highlands Library; sponsored Connecting for Health Literacy conference on language access, and taught a 9-week Science course at the Academy of Hope on health for their pre-GED students. During Quarter 4, February 2008 through April 2008, HIPS conducted:

- ◆ A total of 53 events over 122 hours that involved 907 people (some repeat)
- ◆ 21 outreach activities over 42 hours that involved 575 people
- ◆ 19 training sessions over 32 hours that involved 162 people (some repeat)
- ◆ 2 dissemination events over 5 hours that involved 140 people (some repeat)
- ◆ 11 planning events over 44 hours with 30 people (some repeat)

Final report:

During the course of the project, HIPS presented 81 training sessions for 811 people including workshops for adult education learners, workforce development program reaching students, teens, health center patients and the public. Also, 98 outreach activities were provided for 2,295 people including visits to health centers, street outreach, health fairs and onboard the Transformer computer van. There were 35 planning meetings with 256 people meeting to plan *Connecting for Health Literacy* conferences and the curriculum for adult education students. Eight dissemination events also occurred including presentations on health literacy to health professional students, adult literacy teachers, public health workers as well as the publication of three articles. Several successful partnerships were made and continued. A list is included in the report.

West Virginia University Center on Aging - E-HELP – Elder Health Education in Libraries Project
No report was received at the time of this report.

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill – Automatic Metadata Maintenance for NC Health Info and the Go Local Initiative

Summary of activities: A prototype of the KWIC cataloging interface was developed and tested. The project was advertised by press release on the SILS website and a blurb was in the HSL's e-newsletter.

East Tennessee State University - Appalachian Underserved Healthcare Providers Evidence-based Information Training and Delivery Project

Summary of activities: During this quarter, all PDAs were checked for defects and loaded with software, including Dynamed, ePocrates, ACC Guidelines, Merck Medicus, and Shots. Demographic questions and a participant agreement form were developed and sent to the eight sites participating in this project in order to gather baseline information and ensure proper attendance and cooperation. Surveys measuring PDA effectiveness were researched, and a survey prototype for use in this project was developed. Eighteen site visits were made to the participating hospitals during this quarter, along with mailing project information to hospital administrators and multiple follow-up phone calls for further explanation. The slower pace of community hospitals has slowed the start of this project somewhat, but trust is being gained and progress is forthcoming.

University of Mississippi - Clarksdale Diabetes and Metabolism Clinic Consumer Health Education Center

Summary of activities: The second quarter was a time filled with activity for this project and much progress was made. Librarians at The Rowland Medical Library developed a training manual, along with a policies and procedures manual. Forms, including a visitor log and evaluation tool, were finalized. The position of health educator was filled with a start date estimated to be around the end of May. Volunteers were also successfully recruited to work in the center. An advisory panel meeting was held on March 11, 2008 at Northwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center with 14 members in attendance. Equipment was ordered and set up in the CHEC. Educational materials were collected and brought to the site. Letters of invitation to area physicians were sent announcing the grand opening for the CHEC as well as an announcement placed in the local newspaper. The grand opening was held on April 29, 2008 with more than twenty-five people attending. All were eager and excited about the project.

University of Virginia – NN/LM National Emergency Preparedness Plan Coordination

Summary of activities: Site visits to introduce the national plan occurred in Regions 2, 6, 8, 3 and 1. NN/LM staffs were trained and discussion about promotion of the plan was held. Other activities included: teleconference with the Middle-Atlantic Region, presentations to a consortium in Virginia, MAR RAC, and CONBLS, and continued work on updating and transferring the Toolkit to the nnlm.gov site.

Vanderbilt University – Tennessee Go Local

Over 15,000 records have been collected for Tennessee's 95 counties and are in the process of being converted to csv format and uploaded into the Go Local application. Several TN librarians have been invited to enrich their institutional records. Promotional efforts included a meeting with the 2-1-1 and Family Children's Service and the United Way or Metropolitan Nashville. A presentation was provided at the SLA Southern Appalachian Chapter meeting and at the CONBLS meeting.

George Washington – DC Go Local

Summary of activities: Hiring of two part-time indexers took longer than expected but one position filled at the end of the quarter. 16 volunteers are working on the project. Downloading and editing of records has begun.

TABLE 3. Presentations and training provided by RML staff

Date	Last name of staff responsible	Title of presentation/training	Location (city, state)	Number of participants	In-person or distance education
3/17/08	Kelly	NLM and NN/LM	Tampa, FL	20	In-person
4/23/08	Kelly	NN/LM Funding in Year 3; Go Local	Nashville, TN	20	In-person
2/6/08	Meloy	Let's Talk About Sex: Sexual Health Resources for Teens	Indianola, MS	5	In-person
2/6/08	Meloy	Let's Talk About Sex: Sexual Health Resources for Teens	Indianola, MS	13	In-person
3/5/08	Meloy	MedlinePlus	Baltimore, MD	1	In-person
4/11/08	Meloy	"Información para su salud y consejos para obtener fondos" or "Information for your health and advice in order to obtain funds"	Carolina, Puerto Rico	15	In-person
4/21/08	Meloy	African American Community Health	Georgetown, SC	15	In-person
2/1/09	Ottosen	Marketing	Online via Adobe Connect	5	Distance education
2/29/08	Ottosen, Eberle	Evaluation of Health Web Resources	Online via Adobe Connect	6	Distance education
3/14/08	Ottosen, Eberle	Marketing	Online via Adobe Connect	7	Distance education
4/1/08	Ottosen	Will Duct Tape Cure My Warts: Examining Complementary and Alternative Medicine	Marietta, GA	23	In-person
4/24/08	Ottosen	Combatting Information Fatigue: Health Information Resources for Veterans	Hampton, VA	29	In-person
2/7/08	Prince	Measuring Your Impact	Orange Park, FL	11	In-person
2/18/08	Prince	Presentation on NLM services	Auburn, AL	15	In-person
2/18/08	Prince	Web 2.0/Usability	Auburn, AL	25	In-person

2/19/08	Prince	PubMed/MedlinePlus	Auburn, AL	40	In-person
2/28/08	Prince	I only wiki socially	St. Petersburg, FL	60	In-person
4/8/08	Prince	PDAs	Baltimore, MD	9	In-person
4/10/08	Prince	Blogs and RSS feeds	Baltimore, MD	9	In-person
1/21/08 - 2/8/08	Snow-Croft	¿No Comprende?: Spanish health information resources for English speaking librarians	online	34 registered; 19 completed	Distance education
2/21/08	Snow-Croft	Introduction to PubMed and NLM Resources	Starkville, MS	20	In-person
2/22/08	Snow-Croft	Introduction to NLM Resources	Starkville, MS	32	In-person
2/22/08	Snow-Croft	Introduction to NLM Resources	Starkville, MS	27	In-person
2/29/08	Snow-Croft	Patient Safety Resource Seminar	Jackson, MS	6	In-person
2/29/08	Snow-Croft	PubMed for Experts	Jackson, MS	12	In-person
3/4/08	Snow-Croft	Grant Proposal Writing	Baltimore, MD	20	In-person
3/5/08	Snow-Croft	Public Health on the Web	Cambridge, MD	17	In-person
3/25/08	Snow-Croft	Patient Safety Resource Seminar	Online	7	Distance education
3/28/08	Snow-Croft	Patient Safety Resource Seminar	Macon, GA	12	In-person
3/28/08	Snow-Croft	NLM Update	Macon, GA	15	In-person
4/11/08	Snow-Croft	PubMed for Experts	Kingshill, St. Croix, VI	8	In-person
4/11/08	Snow-Croft	PubMed for Experts	Kingshill, St. Croix, VI	7	In-person
4/14/08	Snow-Croft	NLM Public Health resources and PubMed	Christiansted, St. Croix, VI	6	In-person
4/14/08	Snow-Croft	Introduction to PHPartners.org	Christiansted, St. Croix, VI	2	In-person
4/15/08	Snow-Croft	NLM Public Health resources/Intro to PubMed	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI	8	In-person
4/16/08	Snow-Croft	NLM Resources for Seniors	Cruz Bay, St. John, VI	22	In-person
4/17/08	Snow-Croft	Introduction to NLM Resources and Basic PubMed	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI	6	In-person
4/25/08	Snow-Croft	Patient Safety Resource Seminar	Greenville, NC	8	In-person
3/7/08,	Wescott	Promoting Readiness: Readiness to Respond Follows Planning & Practice	Cordele, GA	35	In-person

4/10/08	Wescott	The Advantages of Partnering with the NN/LM	Kingsport, TN	20	In-person
4/25/08	Wescott	Easy to Read	Inova Fairfax Fairfax ,VA	26	In-person
2/6/08	Yancey	Grants Basics: Writing and Resources	Baltimore, MD	28	In-person
3/5/08	Yancey	Introduction to PubMed	Alexandria, VA	14	In-person
3/7/08	Yancey	Outreach Panel at GHSLA	Cordele, GA	30	In-person
3/8/08	Yancey	Nursing on the Net	Cordele, GA	4	In-person
3/8/08	Yancey	Evidence based practice in a Magnetic World	Cordele, GA	5	In-person
3/18/08	Yancey	Overview of MeSH®	Baltimore, MD	28	Distance education
3/18/08	Yancey	Overview of MeSH®	Baltimore, MD	44	Distance education
4/15/08	Yancey	PubMed 101	West Palm Beach, FL	8	In-person
4/15/08	Yancey	PubMed 101	West Palm Beach, FL	10	In-person
4/16/08	Yancey/ Tooey	Vital Pathways: Web conference	Baltimore, MD	42	Distance education
4/24/08	Yancey	Log Onto Health	Nashville, TN	14	In-person

TABLE 4. Exhibits. Note that separate exhibit reports should not be included with the RML quarterly report.

Dates	Organization name	Meeting name	Location (city, state)
RML NATIONAL EXHIBITS			
3/25-29/08	Public Library Association, assisted GMR	Annual Conference	Minneapolis, MN
RML REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS			
2/27-28/08	Special Library Association	South Atlantic Regional Conference IV	Tampa, FL
3/27/08	Virginia Commonwealth University	Research Day	Richmond, VA
3/28-29/08	National Episcopal Health Ministries	Annual Meeting	Hendersonville, NC
4/9-10/08	Tennessee Library Association	Annual Conference	Kingston, TN
4/29/08	District of Columbia Library Association	2008 Joint Spring Meeting	Washington, DC
SUBCONTRACTED REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS			
2/21-22/08	Southern Nursing Research Society	Annual Conference	Birmingham, AL
2/26/08	Sister to Sister: Women's Heart Health Fair	Health Fair	Baltimore, MD
4/8-9/08	Alabama Public Health Association	Annual Conference	Birmingham, AL

MedlinePlus Go Local

Reports are attached for each of the regional Go Local projects.

Members of the Florida state planning team have sent a message to their statewide listserv to inquire about interest in a Go Local. To date only 2-3 people have indicated interest on working on a project. It is unlikely there will be a statewide project.

Other staff activities

TABLE 5. Publications and resources developed by RML staff

Date completed/ published	Last name of staff responsible	Title	Medium (e.g., journal article, newsletter article, brochure, online tutorial)	Submitted to Clearinghouse ("yes" or "out of scope")
2/6/08	Ottosen	Veterans' Health Information: A Webliography	Journal article in Journal of Consumer Health on the Internet to be published	Out of scope

Staff Activities:

February 1, 2008 and February 11, 2008 Janice participated on NN/LM emergency preparedness collaboration calls concerning the upcoming assessment survey.

February 5, 2007 Staff attended the NN/LM monthly teleconference on the NIH public access initiative.

February 6, 2008 Terri attended the Healthfinder.gov Webinar by invitation, to provide input and hear about beta testing on their new website.

February 7, 2008 Beth and Janice met with Don Monroe from Howard University to discuss interlibrary loan services, fills rates and DOCLINE traffic at the library.

February 11, 2008 Terri attended a web meeting of Healthy People 2020 by invitation.

February 11-22, 2008 Terri attended the CE distance education class, *From Snake Oil to Penicillin*, given by Gail in Region 6 so that she can learn and be able to provide this course in the SE/A Region.

February 11-14, 2008 Terri and Mandy planned and created the *Wishing Well Series*, part 1 online tutorial "Wishful Thinking" using Captivate software. The series is intended to assist network members by providing information on the NN/LM SEA and funding.

February 14, 2008 Terri and Janice attended a teleconference with the Florida Consumer Health Information Network (FCHIN) to discuss providing distance education and consumer health classes to public librarians in Florida. The goal is to provide enough classes to enable interested individuals in obtaining the MLA Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS).

February 11, 2008 Beth completed *Assessing Health Literacy in Clinical Practice*, an online offering of Medscape.

February 27, 2008 Janice participated on the emergency preparedness collaboration call concerning the emergency preparedness toolkit.

March-April, 2008 Sheila began discussions regarding hosting an electronic discussion list for the Mississippi Biomedical Libraries Association.

March 4, 2008 Janice and Terri visited the West Virginia University Charleston Library. They met with Patricia Dawson to discuss the library, NN/LM programs and the future. A new director will be hired and begin employment this summer.

March 5, 2008 Janice and Terri visited the West Virginia Health Right, Inc. in support of their express follow-up award. They met with Tamara Mollohan to discuss progress made and possible future projects.

March 5, 2008, Beth attended the MLA webcast on Web 2.0.

March 6, 2008 Janice attended the opening of the *Changing Face of Medicine* exhibit at the University of Mississippi, Jackson, MS.

March 7, 2008 Beth attended the 2008 Georgia Health Sciences Library Association conference in Cordele, Georgia. Beth provided a presentation to the membership on the NN/LM national emergency preparedness plan. Beth also distributed handouts of emergency URLS servicing organizations in Georgia and introduced the Georgia member of the RAC Committee on Emergency Preparedness Planning, Kevin Bradford, MLS of the Medical College of Georgia.

March 7, 2008 Terri assisted two network members with questions and suggestions. One member needed assistance with the Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS) and Terri helped her contact MLA and answered her questions. Another member suggested a women's health resource posted by Terri to the listservs be added to the National Library of Medicine database site. Terri contacted NLM and the resource was added.

March 7, 2008 Sheila attended the Association of Research Libraries' Webcast: *Institutional Compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy*.

March 11, 2008 Janice participated on an NN/LM emergency preparedness collaboration call.

March 11, 2008 Beth took the online offering of the New York, New Jersey Public Health Training Center's, titled *Health Literacy and Public Health*.

March 12, 2008 Janice and Terri visited with Marilyn Teolis, Baptist Hospital, Nashville, TN in support of her health kiosk project. They toured the facility, observed patron use of the kiosk, and met with the clinic director about the project and potential ways to enhance promotion of the kiosk.

March 13, 2008 Janice and Terri visited with Jan Haley, St. Thomas Hospital. They toured the library, discussed the state of libraries and associations in Tennessee and potential outreach projects.

March 15, 2008 Dan Wilson and Susan Yowell provided training on the NN/LM national emergency preparedness plan. Attendees included the SE/A staff, Angela Ruffin and Barbara Nicholson from NLM, and Teresa Knott, Maryland representation to the Emergency Preparedness RAC. A tabletop exercise was included.

March 17, 2008 Janice presented on the NLM and the NN/LM to the library school students attending the special libraries course at the University of South Florida.

March 18, 2008 Terri sent Maureen Czujak of the NTCC (National Training Center and Clearinghouse), files of her Veterans' Health class to be placed on the NTCC website.

March 19, 2008 Terri and Toni assisted the New England Region's by hosting their region-wide monthly teleconference on *Library as Space*. The conference had a guest speaker and 41 participants.

March 19, 2008 Janice visited the Shimberg Library at the University of South Florida. She met with Rose Bland and Allison Howard to discuss the library, Florida Health Sciences Library Association and the region.

March 24, 2008 Sheila attended the quarterly meeting of the DC Area Health Science Librarians held at Howard University.

March 25-29, 2008 Mandy and Terri traveled to Minneapolis to attend programs and staff at the NLM booth at the Public Library Association annual meeting.

March 27, 2008 Janice attended a teleconference of the Florida Consumer Health Information Network planning committee. She will attend a subcommittee teleconference on education when set.

March 2008 Toni contacted Dr. Nelson, head of the MeSH Section at NLM, about the webconference on MeSH. Jacque-Lynne Shulman assisted Toni with her presentation.

March 2008 At the request of the South Central office, Toni contacted Dr. Wallis from the Society of Nuclear Medicine about classes at their annual meeting in New Orleans in June. Dale Prince will be presenting *Advanced PubMed*.

April 3, 2008 MJ and Janice met via teleconference with Sherrilynne Fuller and Cathy Burroughs of Region 6 to discuss disaster "buddy" responsibilities.

April 3-4, 2008 Mandy attended the Health Information Literacy Conference in Indianapolis She presented information describing the RML, the consumer health classes the RML offers, and consumer health verses health professional information.

April 5, 2008 Janice attended the meeting of the Consortium of Biomedical Libraries in the South meeting in Johnson City, TN. Dan Wilson, chair of the SE/A Regional Advisory Committee for Emergency Preparedness, presented on the national plan and regional response and Janice provided information about SE/A plans.

April 8, 2008 Mandy and Terri submitted a full proposal to the MLA CE committee for a 2009 Symposium, *E-Patients: The Techno Cultural Revolution of Health Consumers*.

April 8, 2008 Terri served as leader and attended the NN/LM consumer health coordinators teleconference.

April 9-10, 2008 Beth traveled to Kingsport, TN to participate in the spring Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association meeting, to give a brief NN/LM update and with Nakia Carter of East Tennessee State University gave a presentation about the advantages of partnering with the NN/LM.

April 10, 2008 Terri attended the Social Networking Fair at HS/HSL and assisted as a member of the planning committee.

April 7, 2008 Janice attended the associate directors' teleconference discussing the planning of a national NN/LM training page.

April 14, 2008 Janice and Terri attended the teleconference of the training/education subcommittee of the Florida Consumer Health Network planning committee.

April 14, 2008 Mandy's presentation proposal, *Building Healthy and Well-Rounded Youth: Sexual, Emotional, Mental, and Physical Resources for Teens* was accepted for the 82nd Annual American School Health Association meeting November 12-15, 2008 in Tampa, FL.

April 16, 2008 Nicole Dancy of NLM SIS invited Beth to once again participate in the review of the National Library of Medicine (NLM) *2008 AIDS Community Information Outreach Projects* proposals.

April 17, 2008 Beth was invited by Leslie Duncan, co-chair for Professional Development for the Southern Chapter of MLA to present *Easy to Read Health and Wellness Material for Consumers* at the fall, 2008 MLA Southern Chapter Meeting.

April 23, 2008 Janice attended the Tennessee State Planning Team meeting in Nashville. She provided a brief outline of year 03 funding opportunities and listened to progress made on collaborative projects. A consumer health training program across the state is under development.

April 29, 2008 Janice attended the dedication of the Clarksdale Diabetes and Metabolism Clinic Consumer Health Education Center, Clarksdale, MS. The Center was funded as an SE/A outreach project in the Mississippi Delta region with the University of Mississippi Medical Center Library.

April 30, 2008 Janice visited the Delta State University Library to meet with project staff of the *Dancing Rabbit e-Library Health Initiative*.

By the numbers:

April, 2008 Reviewed 20 outreach project award applications for year 03 funding.

43 articles were added to *SEA Currents*.

290 pages were updated, reviewed, or added to website.

349 subscribers to SEA listserv

67 subscribers to *SEA Currents* (via notification plugin)

Optional photographs with captions

